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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Re: Application of Tomohiro ARAKI, Yoshiharu KINOSHITA, Hiroshi
SAKAGUCHI and Akio MANABE
DIFLUOROMETHYLTRIAZOLONE COMPOUNDS USE OF THE SAME
AND INTERMEDIATES FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF
Assignee: SUMITOMO CHEMICAL COMPANY, LIMITED
Our Ref: Q79737

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 10/149,034 (Confirmation No. 8721) filed June 6, 2002 of Tomohiro ARAKI, Yoshiharu KINOSHITA, Hiroshi SAKAGUCHI and Akio MANABE entitled DIFLUOROMETHYLTRIAZOLONE COMPOUNDS USE OF THE SAME AND INTERMEDIATES FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, and a copy of the Declaration and Assignment as filed in the prior application.

Also enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment, Information Disclosure Statement, and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1624.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 10/149,034 filed June 6, 2002; which is a §371 National Stage Application of PCT Application No. PCT/JP00/08558 filed December 1, 2000; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	11-348884	December 8, 1999
Japan	2000-110682	April 12, 2000
Japan	2000-164223	June 1, 2000



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The priority documents were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT/JP00/08558.

The Government filing fee is calculated, **after entry of the Preliminary Amendment**, as follows:

Total claims	<u>14</u> - 20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>6</u> - 3	=	<u> </u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u> </u>	\$258.00
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\$1028.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$1028.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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